



DANIEL

TODDLER ACTIVITY | LESSON 3

GOD SHUT THE LIONS' MOUTHS

In this activity, the children will play a game to help them remember that God shut the mouths of the lions in the Bible story, Daniel and the Lions' Den.

DIRECTIONS

DURING THE ACTIVITY

1. Gather the children around and remind them of the Bible story. Use the following script as a guide for what you could say to the children.
 - Daniel was thrown into a den of lions. But God shut the lions' mouths so Daniel would not get hurt.
 - The lions' mouths were open big, like this. But God made the lions' mouth's shut tight. Their mouths were closed like this.
 - Can you show me how big you can open your mouth? Wow! Great job!
 - Now show me a shut mouth. Good listening!
 - Now let's keep being good listeners. When I say open, show me a big open mouth. When I say shut, show me a closed mouth.
2. Say open and shut slowly and get faster as you go on. When it gets difficult, say something like, "That was silly! Good job!"
3. Variations to play more rounds:
 - Use fingers on one hand to show open (hand) and shut (fist).
 - Use hands and arms to open big (out to the side) and shut tight (wrapped around themselves).
4. Remind the children that Daniel and God were friends. And God wants to be their friend, too.



SUPPLIES NEEDED



None

BIG IDEA

God wants to be my friend.